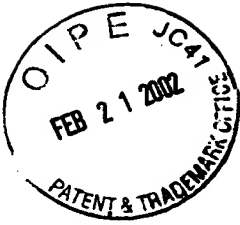


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In re Application of:)
Rolando Barbucci et al.) Group Art Unit: 1711
Serial No.: 09/622,146) Examiner: Sergeant, Rabon A.
Filed: January 2, 2001)
For: SULPHATED HYALURONIC ACID AND SATURATED DERIVATIVES
THEREOF COVALENTLY BOUND TO POLYURETHANES, AND THE
PROCESS FOR THEIR PREPARATION

New York, NY 10036
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Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT

SIR:

This Amendment is being filed to supplement the response to the Office Action that was mailed September 4, 2001.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly revise the Amendment to Page 3, line 21 that was made in the Amendment of September 4, 2001 to read as follows:

By sulphated hyaluronic acid and sulphated hyaluronic acid derivatives, we mean:

- A₁) O-sulphated hyaluronic acid, and
A₂) O-sulphated hyaluronic acid derivatives,
both types being disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 6,051,701,
which is incorporated herewith by reference;
B₁) N-sulphated hyaluronic acids, and
B₂) N-sulphated hyaluronic acid derivatives,

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